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Procurement Directors

FROM:

Office of Procurement and Assistance Policy, ME-61

Office of Procurement and Assistance Management

SUBJECT:

Guidance for Using Strategic Acquisition Transactions

SUMMARY: This Policy Flash disseminates a new guidance document which

provides information to maximize the use of Federal Supply

Schedules, Multiple Award Contracts, and Governmentwide Agency

Contracts.

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Changes in the acquisition environment have resulted in the introduction of new and innovative methodologies that provide procurement professionals unprecedented flexibility in how goods and services are acquired. The Office of Headquarters Procurement Services, Office of Procurement and Assistance Management recently developed the attached guide to assist their acquisition professionals and clients in indentifying, analyzing, and choosing among available alternatives. The guide also highlights lessons learned and provides information on best practices, intended to ensure a level of uniformity and consistency in application. This guide is provided for your use as appropriate.

As you know, we currently have an active Acquisition Letter 2000-07 which covers the same subject matter, however, it is not as comprehensive as the guide attached to this flash. Based on additional review and comment, we would like to cancel AL 2002-07 and add the attached guide as a new chapter in the DOE Acquisition Guide in the near future. We welcome your comments/suggestions.

Questions concerning the Strategic Acquisition Transactions Guide should be addressed to John Bashista at (202) 287-1500 or via e-mail at john.bashista@hq.doe.gov

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